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ILLINOIS SUPREME COURT ANNOUNCES TWO JUDICIAL VACANCIES IN SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Justice Rita B. Garman of the Illinois Supreme Court has begun an application process to fill two Circuit Court vacancies in the Sixth Judicial Circuit.

One of the vacancies was created by the announced retirement of Judge John K. Greanias, who has been a resident Circuit judge in Decatur since 1988. His retirement is effective July 21, 2008.

The second vacancy was created by the announced retirement of Judge Stephen H. Peters, who has been a resident Circuit judge in Clinton since 1988. His retirement is effective July 31, 2008.

Under the Illinois Constitution, judicial vacancies are filled by Supreme Court appointment. The application process announced by Justice Garman will lead to final Court approval.

Notice of both vacancies have been posted in courthouses throughout the Circuit. Applications may be obtained by writing to:

Mrs. Mary Hurley
Office of Justice Rita B . Garman
Illinois Supreme Court
3607 North Vermilion, Suite 1
Danville, Illinois 61832

All completed applications must be returned and received in Justice Garman's office no later than Friday July 11, 2008. The applications will undergo an evaluation and screening process. The persons appointed to fill the vacancies will serve until the positions are filled by election in November 2010.

To be eligible for consideration for appointment the applicant must be a lawyer licensed to practice law in Illinois.

The Sixth Judicial Circuit encompasses Champaign, Douglas, DeWitt, Macon, Moultrie and Piatt counties.

(FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT: Joseph Tybor, press secretary to the Illinois Supreme Court, at 312.793.2323)